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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

This Amendment and Response are in reply to the Office Action mailed May 21, 2003 in the subject application. Claims 1 and 3-9 stand rejected. Upon entry of the proposed amendments, claims 9-13 will be pending, claims 10-13 being newly added.

A Request for Extension of Time to respond to the outstanding office action and authorization to debit Applicants' debit account accompany this Amendment and Response.